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SUBJECT: CZECHS ALSO OPPOSE OSCE CHAIRMAN'S SEPARATE
REPRESENTATIVES FOR BELARUS ELECTION

REF: A. STATE 30975

[1](#)B. PRAGUE 204

[1](#)C. PRAGUE 222

[1](#)1. (C) Poloff March 1 delivered Ref A points on the OSCE Chairman's proposed three-person team to Karel Tesar, of the MFA's OSCE Unit. Tesar responded that the Czechs have been harboring similar fears about the fielding of the proposed team and agree with U.S. concerns. He noted the work of ODHIR is essential to democratic development and cannot be undermined.

[1](#)2. (C) Given this response, and the GOCR's exceptional commitment to the democratic process in Belarus (Refs B and C), Post believes the GOCR would be open to coordinated multilateral action to oppose this initiative.

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